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5 firefighters sent to hospital after battling warehouse blaze

Two Phoenix firefighters received chemical burns while fighting a warehouse blaze Sunday morning in west-central Phoenix.

No one was seriously injured in the two-alarm fire, which broke out at about 8 a.m. at Phoenix Heat Treatment, a plating business in a warehouse at 2405 W. Mohave St.

But during the blaze, acid stored in a plastic vat spilled onto some of the firefighters, Battalion Chief Ben Nixon said. Five were sent to a hospital, where two were treated for chemical burns and the rest for abrasions, Nixon said. More than 70 firefighters fought the blaze.

A hazardous-materials crew was sent into the building after the fire was extinguished to check on the condition of nitric acid and other chemicals stored in the building.